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SENATE BILL 394

43RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 1997

INTRODUCED BY

CARROLL H. LEAVELL

AN ACT

RELATING TO JUVENILE JUSTICE; ESTABLISHING A BOOT CAMP PROGRAM  
FOR CERTAIN DELINQUENT OFFENDERS; ENACTING A NEW SECTION OF THE  
DELINQUENCY ACT.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

Section 1. A new section of the Delinquency Act is enacted  
to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] BOOT CAMP PROGRAM - ADMINISTRATION -  
CRITERIA FOR ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS. --

A. The department shall develop and implement a boot  
camp program for certain delinquent offenders pursuant to the  
provisions of this section. The boot camp program shall include  
substance abuse counseling and treatment programs, general  
education diploma preparatory classes, manual labor assignments,  
physical training activities and personal development training.

1 The boot camp program shall be conducted in a strict  
2 disciplinary environment. The department shall require that  
3 participants in the boot camp program complete a structured,  
4 six-month program.

5 B. Participation in the boot camp program shall be  
6 limited to certain delinquent offenders adjudicated on or after  
7 July 1, 1997. Individuals eligible to participate in the  
8 program are adjudicated delinquent offenders who are thirteen  
9 years of age or older.

10 C. The department shall develop and adopt  
11 regulations to provide for screening of all adjudicated  
12 delinquent offenders for the purpose of determining eligibility  
13 to participate in the boot camp program. The regulations shall  
14 provide that the screening occurs within thirty days of an  
15 individual's adjudication as a delinquent offender. Subsequent  
16 to the screening, the department may recommend to the court that  
17 a delinquent offender be assigned to participate in the boot  
18 camp program.

19 D. If the court accepts the department's  
20 recommendation, the delinquent offender shall be transferred to  
21 the custody of the department for the purpose of participating  
22 in the boot camp program.

23 E. The department shall develop and adopt  
24 regulations regarding criteria for successful completion of the  
25 boot camp program. The regulations shall also provide for

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1 appropriate disposition of delinquent offenders who successfully  
2 complete the program and for those offenders who fail to  
3 successfully complete the program. The department shall notify  
4 the court in writing when a participant in the boot camp program  
5 successfully completes or fails to complete the program.

6 F. The department may contract with a public or  
7 private entity for the lease of a facility to house a boot camp  
8 program. The boot camp program shall be operated and  
9 administered by the department. "

1 FORTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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8 Mr. President:

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10 Your PUBLIC AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, to whom has been  
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15 has had it under consideration and reports same with  
16 recommendation that it DO PASS, and thence referred to the  
17 JUDICIARY COMMITTEE.  
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20 Respectfully submitted,

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Shannon Robinson, Chairman

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The roll call vote was 6 For 0 Against

Yes: 6

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Excused: Adair, Vernon, Feldman

Absent: None

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